

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
EASTERN DIVISION**

**COURTHOUSE NEWS SERVICE,**

Plaintiff,

v.

**JOAN M. GILMER**, in her official capacity as Clerk of the Circuit Court of St. Louis County, Missouri; and **KATHY S. LLOYD**, in her official capacity as State Courts Administrator for the Missouri Office of State Courts Administrator,

Defendants.

Case No: 21-cv-00286-HEA

**JOINT STATUS REPORT**

Plaintiff Courthouse News Service and Defendants Joan M. Gilmer, in her official capacity as Clerk of the Circuit Court of St. Louis County, Missouri, and Kathy S. Lloyd, in her official capacity as State Courts Administrator for the Missouri Office of State Courts Administrator, jointly provide the following status report as requested in this Court's February 9, 2024 Order [Doc. 86]:

1. The Office of State Courts Administrator (OSCA) is working to develop the auto-case create functionality. OSCA has formed a project team and has been holding design meetings. Design meetings are collaborative discussions including software engineers/programmers, IT managers, and sometimes end-users, to discuss and plan the architecture, functionality, and user experience of a software application or system. These meetings typically occur during the early stages of a project and continue throughout its development life-cycle. The next milestone will include presenting updated concept documents to CMOT (Case Management Oversight Team). This is anticipated to occur in early summer, such as June or July. While the auto-case create functionality is still early in the development process, OSCA believes that it is on track to

commence the pilot project no later than the end of the First Quarter of 2025, which is the deadline set by the parties' settlement agreement.

2. Defendants are willing to provide any additional milestone updates as requested by this Court. If so, Defendants anticipate having additional material updates by August 2024.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that on April 17, 2024, a true and accurate copy of the foregoing was filed electronically with the Clerk of the Court to be served by operation of the Court's electronic filing system to all entered parties.

/s/ Jason K. Lewis